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for Methods for Altering the Cleavage Specificity of a Type IIG Restriction Endonuclease, the specification of which is being transmitted herewith.

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